

**REMARKS**

Claims 18-27 and 29-34 are pending in this application. Claims 29-33 have been withdrawn as directed to non-elected subject matter, and claims 18-27 and 34 stand rejected. Specifically, the claims are rejected for not being enabled by the specification in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. The Examiner contends that the claims are enabled for treating an immune mediated disease, but the specification does not enable the prophylactic treatment of the immune mediated disease.<sup>1</sup>

Applicants have replaced “prophylactically treating” with “reducing the risk of developing” in claim 18. Support for “reducing the risk of developing” can be found in the specification at, for example, Examples 6-9 (pages 27-40). Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Applicants have also added new claim 35 directed to a method of treating an immune mediated disease. Support for this claim can be found in the specification, as originally filed at, for example, page 8, lines 18-21.

Applicants have also cancelled withdrawn claims 29-33, and expressly reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter.

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<sup>1</sup> Office Action of April 4, 2008 at pages 3-4.

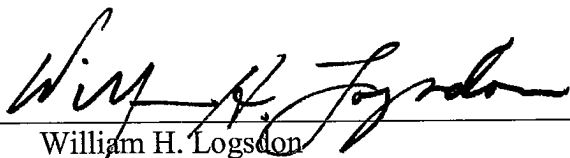
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**CONCLUSION**

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the asserted rejections be reconsidered and withdrawn, and that claims 18-27 and 34-35 be allowed.

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